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RESPONSE

Sir:

The following comments are respectfully submitted in response to the Official Action mailed October 4, 2000, in connection with the above-identified patent application.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application in view of the following comments is respectfully requested.

In the aforementioned Office Action, claims 1-25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,560,149 to *Lafevre*. In positing the rejection, the Examiner has contended that *Lafevre* discloses a window assembly 10 including a frame 12 and a movable sash 16. The frame includes a pair of jamb portions 28, a header 30 and a sill 32, and the sash includes a frame 40, a pair of side

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